

EXHIBIT 9

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1 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

2 FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

3 SHIRLEY A. SALA, individually
4 and as personal representative
5 of the Estate of ERNEST J.
6 SALA, JR.; ERNEST J. SALA,
7 III; and CARMEN Z. SALA,
8 Plaintiffs,

Case No. RG 12622518

9 vs.

10 AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR, INC.,
11 et al.
12 Defendant.

13 VIDEO DEPOSITION OF
14 BYRON H. FRANTZ
15 March 4, 2015
16 10:15 a.m.

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1 Q You've testified as the corporate
2 representative for Genuine Parts several times, is
3 that true?

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q On how many occasions have you testified
6 on behalf of Genuine Parts?

7 A Approximately ten.

8 Q You have also verified interrogatory
9 responses on behalf of Genuine Parts, is that true?

10 A Yes, sir, that's accurate.

11 Q And what that means is, in a lawsuit a
12 plaintiff like my clients get to ask questions of a
13 corporation like Genuine Parts, and then Genuine
14 Parts gives answers, are you familiar with that?

15 A Yes, sir.

16 Q And you're the person that verifies the
17 answers as being true and accurate, basically, is
18 that true?

19 A To the best of my knowledge, yes, sir.

20 Q And you do that on behalf of Genuine
21 Parts, is that true?

22 A Yes, sir, that's accurate.

23 Q Your corporate representative testimony
24 has touched on subjects including when Genuine Parts
25 sold asbestos products, true?



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1 A Yes, sir.

2 Q And what is NAPA?

3 A NAPA is the National Automotive Parts
4 Association. It's an association of warehouse
5 distributors that market and brand under the NAPA
6 name, and Genuine Parts Company is a member of NAPA.

7 Q Today how many members of NAPA are there?

8 A As of approximately two years ago, Genuine
9 Parts Company is the only remaining member of NAPA.

10 Q Can any other company in the world sell a
11 product under the NAPA name other than Genuine
12 Parts?

13 A An independently owned NAPA store can sell
14 a NAPA product if they are affiliated with the
15 Genuine Parts Company distribution center for that
16 geographical area.

17 Q So if an independent store was selling a
18 NAPA product, that NAPA product would still be a
19 Genuine Parts product, true?

20 MR. GRAHAM: Objection. It's overbroad as
21 to scope and time.

22 THE WITNESS: Genuine Parts Company would
23 sell, would distribute the products to both company
24 owned as well as independently owned NAPA stores.
25 The independently owned NAPA store could, therefore,



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STATE OF GEORGIA:

COUNTY OF FULTON:

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript was taken down, as stated in the caption, and the colloquies, questions, and answers were reduced to typewriting under my direction; that the transcript is a true and correct record of the evidence given upon said proceeding.

I further certify that I am not a relative or employee or attorney of any party, nor am I financially interested in the outcome of this action.

This the 12th day of March, 2015.

Thomas R. Carey

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